

CIRCULATION  
Average for December 5613.  
Population of Salem, 1900, 4258;  
1910, 14,094; 1920, 17,679.  
Marion County, 1920, 47,177; Polk  
County, 1920, 14,181.  
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THE WEATHER  
OREGON: Tonight and Thursday fair, continued cold. Moderate easterly winds.  
LOCAL: No rainfall, westerly winds, clear, max. 35, min. 17, river 3.8 feet and falling.

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR—NO. 27

SALEM, OREGON, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1922

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## POWERS APPROVE DISARMAMENT TREATY

### SPECIAL TREATIES PASSED

#### Acts Limiting Use of Submarines and Gas in Warfare Given Formal Approval

Washington, Feb. 1.—(By Associated Press.)—The fifth open session of the arms conference was held today after 11 o'clock today for the presentation of the naval limitation treaty, and the special treaties limiting the use of submarines and poison gas.

The exact moment of the opening of the session was 11:06 a. m. Chairman Hughes began with the resolution adopted in the Far Eastern committee. He brought a first resolution of December 12 for withdrawal of foreign troops from China.

"Open Door" Approved.  
Without discussion the postoffice resolution was adopted and the conference then went on to other Far Eastern resolutions.

In quick succession the two open door resolutions and the two resolutions pledging against discriminatory railroad practices in China were adopted without debate.

Every seat in the hall was occupied and many spectators stood. The audience included cabinet officials, supreme justices, members of congress and other officials.

The committee resolution providing for withdrawal of foreign troops from China also was adopted unanimously.

Chinese Tariff Passed Up.  
Mr. Hughes then announced that the Chinese tariff resolution would be passed over for the present because of special considerations affecting it. It would come before the conference later, he said, embodied in a customs treaty.

The declaration of the powers obliging China to reduce her military forces and the resolution for publicity of foreign commitments in China followed the same rapid pathway to adoption.

The conference then adopted the Chinese radio resolution of December 7, with the accompanying declarations of principles by the powers and by China already made public.

### Says Soldiers Were Killed For Assault

Washington, Feb. 1.—The senate committee investigating charges of illegal executions in the A. E. F. was told today by William Miller of Dallas, Texas, that he had seen two soldiers shot without the formalities of a court-martial in the Marais-sur-Tille, in August, 1918.

The two men had committed a military crime against two aged French women, he said. The witnesses said the soldiers were shot, he thought, by a group of ten or twelve men, among whom were two captains. "I think," Miller said, "that they (the group of soldiers) were just using common sense—I believe I would have done the same thing had I had anything to do with it."

The two men were intoxicated, Miller asserted, and before the shooting took place were "beaten up" by some of the soldiers. The "beating sobered them," Miller said, and both admitted the accusations.

### 22 Marriage Licenses Sold During January

Twenty two marriage licenses were sold during the month of January by the office of the county clerk. The entire number was sold during the first three weeks. The first started off with a rush, three being sold on the first morning. Reuben Dallas and Bertha Kaufman of Silverton, Ralph M. Leander of Hubbard with Ethel Muriel of Aurora, and E. Ben Burkholder of Woodburn being the three couples.

### Party Harmony Great Blessing For Huckestein

#### Man Falls 25 Stories To Street

New York, Feb. 1.—Jones Marsh Libby, editor and international authority on industrial matters, plunged to his death this afternoon from a point high upon the 25 story municipal building. His body fell in the midst of lunch hour pedestrians.

### McAdoo Says Federal Rail Policy Right

Washington, Feb. 1.—Measures taken during federal control of the railroads "call for no apologies," William G. McAdoo, war time director general of railroads, declared today before the senate interstate commerce committee, and statements "of seven of the ablest railroad men in the United States" were presented by him to support his declaration.

These measures, Mr. McAdoo quoted the railroad executives as saying, "were caused by war conditions and the efficient operation of the railroads in support of the government during the war justify every act of the administration during that period."

Mr. McAdoo, who appeared at the committee's inquiry into recent railroad conditions, also quoted the executives to the effect that "it was impossible to avoid the increase of wages which were granted, and those which are pending are inherently a result of the same causes."

The executives ascribed the necessity for wage increases to "war industries surrounding the railroad on all sides paying war prices for labor and depleting the railroad supply of labor, particularly the supply of skilled labor."

### Daughter Released In Murder Trial Mrs. Bertha Wilkes

Everett, Wash., Feb. 1.—On completion of the state's case against Mrs. Bertha Wilkes and her 15-year-old daughter, Treva Pote, in superior court this morning, attorney for the defense moved for the dismissal of the daughter. Mrs. Wilkes is accused of shooting and killing Gus Danielson at her home November 6, and her daughter is accused as an accessory. The defense argued that no evidence had tended to show guilt on the part of the daughter. Judge Aiston granted the motion.

The defense then urged dismissal of the charges against Mrs. Wilkes, arguing that with the dismissal of the daughter, the jury would be in doubt as to what part each played. Thereupon the court reversed his dismissal of the girl. After a recess had been taken, the defense renewed the motion for Treva's dismissal and the court announced that he would order a directed verdict for her if no further testimony were introduced altering the situation.

The morning the will of Gus Danielson was admitted as evidence over the protest of the defense. The will gives \$1000 to Treva for her education and the balance to Mrs. Wilkes. The estate is said to be worth about \$4000. Testimony of the executor of the will indicated Mrs. Wilkes knew of its contents after it was drawn.

### Four Auto Bandits Rob Chicago Man

Chicago, Feb. 1.—Four automobile bandits early this morning held up Joseph H. Schwartz, a held up Joseph H. Schwartz, a station employe of the Pennsylvania railroad at Whiting, Ind., as he was delivering mail to the Whiting post office and took from his push cart one pouch of first class mail and six tie sacks containing parcel post and papers

### Democratic Incumbent Retained 15 Months by Republicans Who Can't Agree

Postmasters may come and postmasters may go, but August Huckestein, democrat, is still on the job at the old stand, functioning satisfactorily as of old, despite the fact that it is some fifteen months since the republicans elected a president for no other purpose than to turn the rascals out and reward the faithful.

Mr. Huckestein's term expired last summer, some months after numerous applications had been filed by republican aspirants to secure his job.

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Dis-ambition Rumored.  
From Washington as-assert that the reason for delay is the fact that the various persons and parties interested cannot agree upon a choice. Postmaster General Will Hayes is reported to have definitely promised the appointment to a prominent local politician with whom he is personally friendly. The civil service board, acting upon the report of its inspectors and examiners is reported to favor the appointment of a different candidate and to have refused to recommend Hayes' friend. Senator McNary, who ordinarily would have the courtesy of naming the postmaster in his own home city is said to favor a third candidate, while Congressman Hawley, who also claims Salem as his residence, is reported to have recommended a fourth person.

Confusion Reigns.  
The postmaster general must appoint the civil service board must approve, the senate must confirm, and if Hayes choice is spurned by the board, and the board's choice spurned by the senate refuses to confirm either choice, and both Hayes and the board reject the senator's choice, we have an interesting situation, interesting at least for the incumbent.

The situation is still more complicated by the fact that Hayes has resigned as postmaster general and soon goes out of office, the senate and the civil service board are at logger-heads, and all the latter's appointments being held up, while numerous protests against some recent postmaster appointments in this section have stirred up a mess that is doing the party no good.

Meanwhile August "sits tight" and views the situation with philosophic complacency hoping that the grand old party harmony continues.

### Street Car Fares In Astoria Raised

Patrons of the Astoria street railway system will pay seven cents a ride on and after Monday next. An order of the public service commission withdraws the suspension which the commission ordered shortly after the filing of the new tariff by the Pacific Power & Light company last May and permits the tariff to become effective. This action of the commission is based upon their findings after a thorough investigation of the street railway situation at Astoria.

The new tariff which increases the cash fare from five to seven cents also increases the 50-ticket books from \$2.25 to \$3 and the 40-ride student's tickets from \$1.25 to \$1.75.

### Strike Called On German Railways

Berlin, Feb. 1.—(By Associated Press.)—The executive committee of the railway men's union has decided to proclaim a general railway strike at midnight tonight.

The government today issued a warning to the railway men declaring the strike move illegal and announcing a penalty of imprisonment or a fine to a maximum of 50,000 marks for individuals refusing to work or inciting others to such refusal.

### Building Here Shows 400 Per Cent Increase

Wherein building activities were concerned, the city of Salem showed in January, 1922, an increase of approximately 400 per cent over that of January, 1921.

Thirty-five thousand two hundred dollars was spent last month while only \$9100 was expended during the same period one year ago. These figures were compiled today by Mark Poulsen, deputy city recorder.

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### 44 MILLION EXPENDED FOR ROADS

Highway Commission Report Shows Over \$18,000,000 Spent In Year of 1921

The tremendous growth of the good roads movement in Oregon is shown in the annual report of the state highway department which was filed with Governor Olcott Tuesday. In summarizing expenditures for road work in this state under the supervision of the state commission the report shows total expenditures since 1913 aggregating \$44,149,673.09.

Oregon's start in road development was made in 1913-14 with an expenditure of \$1,200,686.09 of which amount \$1,000,000 was county money and the balance state money. In 1915 road expenditures were limited to \$574,977.45 and in 1916 expenditures for road improvements slumped still more to a total of only \$296,028.86. From that year, however, expenditures have shown a steady gain, reaching the tremendous sum of \$18,245,821.37 in 1921.

In the four year period 1913-1916 road improvement work done under the supervision of the commission was limited to 7.3 miles of bituminous pavement, 14.3 miles of concrete pavement, 19.8 miles of broken stone or gravel surfacing, and 160.2 miles of grading.

In the year 1921 alone road work completed under the supervision of the commission included 125 miles of bituminous pavement, 51 miles of concrete pavement, 433.9 miles of broken stone or gravel surfacing and 449.7 miles of grading.

Up to the end of the fiscal year, November 30, 1921, road work completed in this state under the supervision of the commission include 489.8 miles of bituminous pavement, 105 miles of concrete pavement, \$14.9 miles of broken stone or gravel surfacing and 1422.9 miles of grading.

Of the \$44,149,673.09 expended on the road of this state by the state highway department \$36,195,034.08 have been state funds, \$4,837,763.65 county funds, \$3,602,835.58 government funds and \$64,039.78 railroad funds.

### Preachers Won War, Welfare Worker Holds

Influence extended by the church to the community was discussed by W. H. Johnson, president of the Presbyterian Moral and Temperance Welfare association, for Rotary club members at their luncheon in the Commercial club this noon.

"The time is coming when banks will refuse credit to the man who buys liquor from a bootlegger," said Mr. Johnson in speaking of prohibition. "By breaking the eighteenth amendment the whole constitution is trampled under foot."

During the war the influence of the church was brought to bear at the request of the government and men were enlisted in the services of their country because of the oratory which thundered from pulpits.

In the sale of the liberty bonds, said Mr. Johnson, the preachers entered the provinces of the banks and were leaders in promoting the sale of government securities.

Hoover recognized in the pulpit a means by which he could instill into the minds of the American public the idea of food conservation. The preachers took up the cause, and food was conserved.

By no means could the war have been won without the aid of the pulpit, the speaker intimated. "Business depression follows moral depression," said Mr. Johnson. "When people lose interest in the church, business is bad."

### Jury Finds Murphy Guilty, Fined \$25

F. F. Murphy, a driver for the Great Northern Transfer company, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and costs by Judge G. E. Warh yesterday afternoon. Murphy was found guilty of speeding by a jury in the justice court.

Dave Brown, state traffic officer, arrested Murphy several days ago. Arraigned, he entered a plea of not guilty.

### Woman Is Acquitted

Fort Worth, Texas, Feb. 1.—Mrs. Bernice Vallance, slayer of her former fiance, Floyd Barham, at Memphis, Texas, last year, was acquitted by a jury at Memphis late yesterday.

### Prosecution Opens On Final Argument In Trial of Comedian for Manslaughter

San Francisco, Feb. 1.—The taking of testimony ended at 10:25 a. m. today in the second trial of a manslaughter charge against Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle. A fifteen minute recess was taken before final argument began.

Final arguments for the prosecution were opened by Milton T. U'Ren, assistant district attorney. Each side has four hours to argue. The defense said it did not expect to take more than two hours.

### 'COUNTRY STORE' MAGNATE OFFERS 'FATTY' CONTRACT

If "Fatty" Arbuckle is acquitted by the San Francisco jury that is hearing evidence on charges of manslaughter filed against him, he can have a job entertaining the people of Oregon at \$2,500 a week, says the Oregon Journal.

Arbuckle, in fact, has actually been offered a contract to work in Oregon and the Northwest by Eddie LaMontagne, owner of the "Country Store" attractions, which have successfully been playing the smaller cities of the state for several months.

In a wire to the rotund comedian Monday La Montagne proclaimed his anticipation of Arbuckle's acquittal and asked his prompt consideration of a contract to come to the Northwest.

"I really believe Arbuckle will be acquitted," La Montagne said, "and if he is he will be a great drawing card. So good a drawing card, in fact, that I will send him a contract for \$2,500 a week as soon as he is freed."

### Salem Student Initiated Into Aggie Fraternity

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Feb. 1.—(Special)—Roland V. Hogg of Salem has just been initiated into Alpha Zeta, national honorary fraternity in agriculture, at the Oregon Agricultural college. New members are chosen on the basis of scholarship, character and leadership, the purpose of the fraternity being leadership in the furtherance of scientific agriculture.

Other men initiated at the same time were, Ernest V. Abbott, Ashland; Bert G. Babb, Eugene; Porter A. Brimmer, Rialto, Cal.; Lawrence Brown, Troy; Warren Daigh, Ontario, Cal.; Ferris Green, Phoenix, Ariz.; John Burtner, Dufur; Floyd M. Edwards, Monroe; Fred Osborn, Corvallis; Charles Storz, Portland.

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### Packing House Workers Voting On Strike Issue

Chicago, Feb. 1.—Packing house workers throughout the country are voting today on the question of calling off their strike which started in fourteen packing centers December 5, 1921. International headquarters of the union here last night telegraphed all locals recommending the strike be called off and that the strikers seek their old positions.

The strike affected plants in Chicago, St. Paul, Albert Lea, Minn., Kansas City, Omaha, East St. Louis, Fort Worth, Oklahoma City, Sioux City, St. Joseph, Denver, Wichita and Nebraska City.

### CAR FARE RISE NOW SEEN HERE

Company Is In Grave Need; Probers Find; Removal of Certain Lines, Possible

Despite the fact that the Oregon public service commission recently denied the Southern Pacific company a proposed rise in fares on its street car lines in Salem, it will be necessary for the city council to grant the street car lines some relief in the near future, according to members of a special council committee, recently named by Mayor Halvorsen, to make an investigation of the financial condition of the company.

What form the relief will take, the committee do not venture to say. The company may be granted a six cent fare. It may be permitted to remove its track on Summer street, or the north Seventeenth line may be dispensed with. It is understood that the probing committee will make no definite recommendations to the aldermen at their meeting next Monday night, but at the same time the investigators are thoroughly convinced that the street car company cannot continue to operate on its present basis.

Loses \$5000 Yearly  
Figures on the books of the Southern Pacific company, which, for the first time since the fare controversy arose, were last week opened to city officials, show that the local lines have lost approximately \$20,000 in the last four years—an average of \$5000 each 12 months. It may be said, however, that the company went "in the red" to a lesser extent last year than it did during the three years preceding.

No formal request that the company be permitted to take up its Summer street and North Seventeenth lines has been made by T. L. Billingsley, local manager, but it is understood that the company feels this would be one means of solving the problem. That a problem does exist, that the street car company cannot go on in the future as it has in the past is freely conceded by members of the council committee.

Solutions Are Lacking  
A rise of one cent in car fare, it is said, would mean an additional revenue to the company of \$18,000 annually. This estimate is made with due consideration of the fact that a certain per cent of the street car patrons would refuse to ride if the fare were raised.

"The street car company has submitted no proposals to us in writing," one member of the committee said this afternoon, "and consequently it is probable that we will make no recommendations at the next council meeting. The problem is one for the council to take up as a unit."

Relief Held Necessary  
Members of the committee, some of whom had vigorously opposed the proposed fare rise when it was considered by the public service commission, admitted today that the city could not expect the company to continue repairs on its lines when it is steadily losing money.

The \$20,000 loss experienced by the company during the last four years does not include interest on its heavy investment, committee members said.

Members of the committee are Dr. F. L. Utter, chairman; Hal Patton, John Giesy, A. F. Marcus, A. H. Suter and City Attorney Ray Smith.

One lighted gas jet consumed as much air as four adults.

## FORMAL ASSENT TO NAVY LIMITATION PLAN GIVEN BY ALL

### Applause Greeted Announcement by Hughes That Battleship Oregon Will Be Retained for Sentimental Reasons for Non-Combatant and Purposes Under Scrapping Rule

Washington, Feb. 1.—(By Associated Press) Formal assent of the five powers to the naval limitations treaty was given at the plenary session of the Washington conference today.

The action was taken after presentation of the treaty by Chairman Hughes and his brief discussion, followed by an address by M. Saraut of the French delegation, expressing the adherence of France. The separate treaty regarding submarines and poison gas was then presented by Elihu Root.

On a roll call of the five delegations, the submarine treaty formerly was approved.

The session adjourned at 2:36 p. m. to meet again at the call of the chairman.

### Treaty Text

Washington, Feb. 1.—The draft treaty for limitation of naval armament submitted today to the plenary session of the Washington conference contains only the following preamble in explanation of the purpose of the five contracting governments in reaching the agreements set forth:

"Desiring to contribute to the maintenance of the general peace and to relieve the burdens of competition in armament;

"Have resolved, with a view to accomplishing these purposes to conclude a treaty to limit their respective naval armament, and to that end have appointed as their plenipotentiaries—

(The names of the delegates of the powers follow.)

Three Chapters.  
The treaty is divided into three chapters. Chapter one contains the general language of the agreements.

Chapter two contains the detailed, specific agreements on naval matters, many of them in complicated tabular form, which amplify and complete the meaning of the general agreements of chapter one.

Chapter three is devoted to (Continued on Page Two.)

### Stronger Railway Crossing Barriers Needed Is Claim

The need of a more substantial type of crossing barrier, especially at grade crossings subjected to heavy traffic, is called to attention of the Southern Pacific railroad company by Fred G. Buchtel, public service commissioner, in a letter to E. L. King of Portland, superintendent of the Oregon division of the road.

Buchtel calls special attention to the East Morrison street and Hawthorne avenue crossings at which points the present wooden barriers are frequently wrecked by automobile drivers and suggests that the railroad give consideration to a type of barrier so constructed as to withstand the impact of a moving automobile and at the same time function as a mechanical means of stopping the same.

### McNary To Head Agricultural Committee Now

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—By the retirement of Senator Kenyon of Iowa from the senate to become a federal judge, Charles L. McNary, senator of Oregon, moves up to ranking place on the senate agricultural committee. If the senate passes the proposed measure for the enlarged budget or appropriations committee, Senator McNary will be one of the agricultural subcommittees of the bigger committee.

Senator McNary has long performed the duties of ranking member of the senate agriculture committee, presiding in the absence of Senator Norris, of Nebraska, the chairman, because Senator Kenyon found much of his time absorbed as chairman of the committee on education and labor.

### Kay Undergoes Operation; Is Doing Nicely

The condition of T. H. Kay, Salem manufacturer and representative in the lower house of the legislature, who underwent an operation for hernia yesterday at the Salem hospital, is reported to be good, and the patient is recovering nicely. There is nothing unusual concerning his condition, hospital officials stated.

Efforts are being made by the American Legion to secure Fort Stevens as a location for a vocational and rehabilitation school for ex-service men.

### President of Fiume Target of Assassins

Fiume, Feb. 1.—(By Associated Press)—An attempt was made on the life of President Zanella of the independent state of Fiume when a bomb was thrown at his automobile. The president was not injured.

Professor Riccardo Zanella was one of the leading opponents of Gabriele D'Annunzio while the latter was in Fiume. He occupied the Fiume city hall by a coup d'etat last year and was elected president of the independent state by the constituent assembly on October 6.

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